

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice and without disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising at least 59 contiguous nucleotides from SEQ ID NO:1.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2.

4. (Cancelled)

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10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

12. (Currently Amended) A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid

molecule of claim 1.

13. (Previously Presented) The recombinant expression vector of claim 12, wherein said nucleic acid molecule encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2.

14. (Previously Presented) The recombinant expression vector of claim 13, wherein said nucleic acid molecule comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

15. (Previously Presented) A host cell comprising the recombinant expression vector of claim 12.

16. (New) The host cell of claim 15, wherein said recombinant expression vector encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2.

17. (New) The host cell of claim 16, wherein said recombinant expression vector comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.